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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) An optoelectronic component based on a surface mount technology, the optoelectronic component comprising:

an electrically conductive frame to form a base for an assembly;

an opaque plastic material to form a housing for the assembly;

a cavity formed within the plastic material;

at least one protrusion extending from a side surface of the housing to provide heat dissipation; and

at least one optoelectronic chip mounted in the cavity,

wherein the base protrudes from a middle portion to a bottom surface and two other side surfaces of the optoelectronic component, the bottom surface and the two other side surfaces of the optoelectronic component providing external mounting connection terminals.

- 2. (Previously presented) The optoelectronic component as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cavity is filled with a transparent or translucent resin material.
- 3. (Previously presented) The optoelectronic component as claimed in claim 1, wherein an electrical connection between the at least one optoelectronic chip and the base is provided by a metallic wire.

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4. (Previously presented) The optoelectronic component as claimed in claim 1, wherein the external mounting connection terminals are provided for connecting to external sub-systems.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Previously presented) The optoelectronic component as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base protrudes outside the plastic material.

7-8. (Canceled)

- 9. (Previously presented) The optoelectronic component as claimed in claim 1, wherein the external mounting connection terminals are provided without any lead formations.
- 10. (Previously presented) An optoelectronic component based on a surface mount technology, the optoelectronic component comprising:

an electrically conductive frame to form a base for an assembly;

an opaque plastic material to form a housing for the assembly;

a cavity formed within the plastic material;

at least one protrusion extending from a side surface of the housing to provide heat dissipation; and

at least one optoelectronic chip mounted in the cavity,

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wherein the electrically conductive frame protrudes from a middle portion to two other side surfaces of the housing, the two other side surfaces of the housing providing external mounting connection terminals.

- 11. (Previously presented) The optoelectronic component as claimed in claim10, wherein the cavity is filled with a transparent or translucent resin material.
- 12. (Previously presented) The optoelectronic component as claimed in claim10, wherein the external mounting connection terminals are provided without any lead formations.
- 13. (Previously presented) The optoelectronic component as claimed in claim 10, wherein an electrical connection between the at least one optoelectronic chip and the base is provided by a metallic wire.
- 14. (Previously presented) The optoelectronic component as claimed in claim 10, wherein the external mounting connection terminals are provided for connecting to external sub-systems such as PCBs.